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a luminescence conversion element with at least one luminescent material, said luminescence conversion element converting a radiation originating in the fist wavelength range into radiation of a second wavelength range different from the first wavelength range, such that the semiconductor component emits polyphromatic visible light comprising radiation of the first wavelength range and radiation of the second wavelength range; and

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said luminescence conversion element being formed such that the radiation of the first wavelength range passes through said luminescence conversion element.--

REMARKS

Applicant has copied the claim suggested by the examiner exactly as new claim 35. Applicant notes that U.S. Patent No. 5,959,316 ("the '316 patent") issued on September 28, 1999, which is more than one year ago. However, this application included claims of similar scope within the one-year period as required by 35 USC 135(b).

Applicant has also added new claims 36 and 37. New claim 36, like present claim 34 (added September 12, 2000) recites that the resin with fluorescent material is directly over the semiconductor device, instead of over a transparent encapsulating resin. For this reason, claim 34 and claim 36 are for a separate invention than new claim 35 and claim 8 of the '316 patent.

New claim 36, and new claim 37 as well, do not have the "substantially uniform thickness limitation," as recited in new claim 35. For this reason claims 36, 37 are for a separate invention than new claim 35 and claim 8 of the '316 patent.

Applicant does not mean to imply by silence herein, one way or the other, as to whether other pending claims are for separate inventions.

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